Set/Reset the PROM password from Irix

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SGI Solution:

To set a new PROM password

1. Boot system and press ESC when booting to go to Maintenance Menu.
2. Select option 5 Enter Command Monitor
3. Type: 'passwd root', and enter desired passwd
4. Type exit to go back to main Menu
5. Select 'Start System'--which will be the only option that will not ask for password.

To clear the PROM password from Irix

1. Login Irix and 'su' to the root accout
2. the PROM password can be reset by running the following command as root:

   # nvram passwd_key ""

   Note: Do not put a space between the two quotes. This process removes the PROM password by setting the password to a null value.

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